(b) if not, the States where elections for Gram Panchayats and Municipalities have not been held for the last three or more years; and

(c) the names of States in the country where 50 per cent of Gram-Panchayats and Municipalities have not been constituted by holding legal elections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. As per the information available, elections to Panchayati Raj Institutions have been held in all States/UTs covered by the Constitution (73rd Amendment) Act 1992, except the State of Jharkhand and UT of Pondicherry. Similarly, elections of Municipalities have been held in all the States where the Municipalities were in existence immediately before the commencement of the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992 except Jharkhand and Pondicherry.

Requirement of funds for PMGSY Schemes in Andhra Pradesh

2913. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey to assess the requirements of funds to connect all villages of Andhra Pradesh with all weather roads within a time-frame;

(b) if so,the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to release the funds to the State for the purpose; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), the State Government has been asked to prepare a Core Network to assess the requirement of roads, district-wise.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.